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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) A <u>cleaning apparatus comprising</u>: a mitt removably associated with <u>coupled to</u> a vehicle washing brush, <u>said mitt</u> comprising:

a material formed into the approximate shape of said washing brush, wherein said material is capable of fitting around said washing brush, and said material has a first surface facing and in contact with said washing brush, and a second surface opposite said first surface facing away from said washing brush, and wherein said second surface is woven with fibers capable of washing a surface of a vehicle, and said material is capable of allowing the passage of water from said washing brush;

a fastener capable of securing said mitt onto said brush while water passes through said washing brush.

- 2. (Currently amended) The [[mitt]] <u>apparatus</u> of claim 1, wherein said material is capable of fitting around said washing brush covering the bottom and all four sides of said washing brush, with an aperture on the top of said mitt, wherein said aperture is capable of allowing the passage of said washing brush into said mitt.
- 3. (Currently amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [[mitt]] of claim 1, wherein said fastener comprises at least one VELCRO® strap.
- 4. (Currently amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [[mitt]] of claim 1, wherein said fastener comprises at least one pair of pieces of material capable of being tied, fastened, buckled or buttoned together.
- 5. (Currently amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [[mitt]] of claim 1, wherein said material is sherpa or sheepskin.
- 6. (Currently amended) The mitt <u>apparatus</u> of claim 2, wherein the top edge of said material is sewn into a hem around said aperture.

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7. (Currently amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [[mitt]] of claim 6, wherein said hem encloses an elastic material capable of forming a tighter seal around said brush.

- 8. (Currently amended) The <u>apparatus</u> [[mitt]] of claim 1, wherein an elastic sheet is sewn around the top edge of said material.
- 9. (Currently amended) A self-service vehicle wash comprising:

a vehicle wash brush;

a mitt removably coupled to said vehicle washing brush, wherein said mitt comprises a material formed into the approximate shape of said washing brush, wherein said material is capable of fitting around said washing brush, and said material has a first surface facing and in contact with said washing brush, and a second surface opposite said first surface facing away from said washing brush, and wherein said second surface is woven with fibers capable of washing a surface of a vehicle, and said material is capable of allowing the passage of water from said washing brush; and

a fastener capable of securing said mitt onto said brush while water passes through said washing brush.

the mitt of claim 1.

- 10. (Withdrawn and currently amended) A method of washing a vehicle comprising: selecting an apparatus of claim 1 wherein the [[a]] vehicle washing brush is attached to an assembly for delivering water;
- attaching the mitt of claim 1 to said brush;
- allowing said assembly to deliver said water through said brush and said mitt; applying said water to said vehicle while washing the surface thereof said brush.
- 11. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10, wherein said water is soapy water.
- 12. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 10, wherein said water is rinse water.

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13. (Withdrawn and currently amended) A method of washing a vehicle <u>using an apparatus of claim 1</u> comprising:

attaching the mitt of claim 1 to a hand of a user;

applying water to said vehicle while washing the surface of said vehicle.

- 14. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein said water is soapy water.
- 15. (Withdrawn) The method of claim 13, wherein said water is rinse water.
- 16. (Currently amended) An apparatus according to claim 1 wherein said brush is a foaming brush mounted to a self-service car wash and said brush is coupled to comprising a removable mitt according to claim 1.
- 17. (Currently amended) A foaming brush <u>assembly removably</u> mounted to a self-service car wash comprising <u>a foaming brush and</u> a cover adapted to fit over said brush.